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Mohammedans Becoming Christians.

The Sunday Magazine for October, (published in London, and re-published in Philadelphia by Lippincott) contains under the head of Missionary Intelligence some very remarkable news. It states that the Ladies' Society for the social and religious improvement of Syrian females, have received a communication from Mr. Waldmeir, a Basle missionary, formerly one of the Abyssinian captives, and now associated with the Ladies' Society, which gives an account of an extraordinary movement among the Mussulmen population of Damascus. The letter is dated Damascus, July 24, 1871, and the Secretary of the Society attests the full trustworthiness of the writer. We report the letter.

"* * * You will be astonished and surprised when I tell you that here in Damascus there is a wonderful movement among the Mohammedans, so that not less than 3,000 desire to become Christians. They have regular prayer-meetings, and they pray to our Lord Jesus Christ that He might reveal Himself to them as their Saviour, and lead them out from darkness into light and truth. This is not a mere story without any foundation and proofs—no, it is a fact indeed. The matter has been already brought before H. M. Consul Captain Burton, and he took the greatest interest in this wonderful appearance. The old law of this empire pronounces death to every one who becomes a Christian; this could be easily executed in individual cases, but how can it be upon 3,000? and the missionaries (missionaries) told me it increases very rapidly every day. What may be the end of such surprising thing among the Mohammedans? There is also a movement among the Jews, many Nicodemuses, and faithful enquirers are coming to Mr. Frankel asking him to guide them to the Saviour, the true Messiah. The Druses are anxiously expecting their Saviour's coming from China. In Persia is also great spiritual movement in looking forward to the coming Saviour. In all these wonderful things, compared with the Holy Bible, marks the day break of a better time for the East. In consequence of it, let us (ora et labora) pray and work, because these are golden days in which we are privileged to be employed in the Lord's work."

The Pall Mall Gazette confirms these reports and says:
The Olemia of Damascus were thrown into a state of the utmost consternation, and at last a meeting was held in the town house of the Algerian Amir, Abd-el-Kader, at which a resolution was passed pronouncing sentence of death against the converts. Fourteen of them were cast into prison by order of Rashid Pasha, but they remained for three months, when, at the solicitation of the Russian consul, M. Maev, they were temporarily released. Twelve of them were subsequently rearrested and transported to the dungeons of Hank Kalesi, the Darfeneles fortress, their wives and children being left in a starving condition at Damascus. Finally, they were landed on the coast of Barbary, and banished to the distant interior settlement of Mursuk. But these severities have by no means suppressed the movement they were designed to crush. It is affirmed that there are now 5,000 neophytes in Damascus alone.

We hear of Syrian villages on massive voluntarily offering themselves for conversion to Christianity and among the converts are not only the poor, but many of the richest Moslems also. Damascus. And we have reason to apprehend that this "Revival" will lead to a collision between the Moslems and the Christians. It is true that, as a rule, there is absolutely no ill feeling between Christians and Moslems in Syria, except where it is engendered and fostered by the authorities upon the old principal "divide and rule." During the massacre year of 1860, in many villages, the Moslem peasants fought against men of their own faith to defend their Christian brethren.

A NEW KINGDOM OF THE ISRAELITES. Some Jewish Rabbis of Frankfurt-on-the-Main have formed an Association which has for its object to gather the scattered children of Israel and unite them in Palestine, to found there a new Kingdom. Urgent letters for co-operation have been addressed by this Association to all the descendants of the chosen people. The feasibility of the scheme is demonstrated, and all are invoked to pray three or four times a day for its consummation. It is said that the great financial houses of Frankfurt give to the project their support. This would include the Rothschilds.

If the scheme be practicable, and were actually carried out, it would not be without great influence on Europe and even America. All the largest bankers in Europe are Israelites. All the highest musical composers belong to the same favored race, and the strains which Apollo might challenge for his own would no longer be heard upon the banks of the Thames, the Seine, the Rhine and the Danube. Spain would lose the greater portion of her highest nobility, and many of the foremost political luminaries in other European countries would disappear from the Western sky. The leader of Her Britannic Majesty's Opposition, Disraeli, would no longer enlighten the benches of Buckinghamshire, but as Premier of the New Jerusalem, would sound some higher notes and dictate the law to the Gontiles—Turk, Russian, Frank and Teuton.—*Richmond Whig.*

BLONDIS, the great tight-rope walker, seems determined to invent a feat in rope-walking which shall finish him at last. At a late performance he was given at the Crystal Palace at Sydenham—the last masts that support the ropes were to be covered with fireworks from the ground to the top. When all these were well going, Blondin was to walk forth on the rope bearing a great piece of pyrotechny "weighing about three hundred pounds," which he would forthwith proceed to discharge from "the altitude in the centre of the rope." At the same time shells and mines were to be exploded in every direction, and the advertisement announces with much gusto that Blondin "will thus be encircled with fire for nearly ten minutes." This is a barbarous performance for the nineteenth century.

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